



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q79968

Ekaterina BOUROVA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/791,382

Group Art Unit: 3663

Confirmation No.: 3506

Examiner: Ari M. DIACOU

Filed: March 3, 2004

For: A DOPED-RING AMPLIFYING OPTICAL FIBER, AND AN AMPLIFIER  
CONTAINING SUCH A FIBER

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of March 20, 2006 to August 21, 2006 (August 20, 2006, being a Sunday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$450.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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